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## Student Senate, A Way To Get Involved

By Mike Maupin

The Avila College Student Government is an important aspect of all college students' lives. "The Student Senate is a way students can get involved with what happens around campus. Also if they want to know about any activity or event this is a good way to get informed," says Student Government Vice-President Laura Hoffman.

The Student Government consists of President Brett Reinert, Vice- President Laura Hoffman, and the Secretary position is still open. Eight senators make up the rest of the Senate, each represents an academic department. The Humanities Department is represented by Cecilia Rog, Education/Psychology by Joann Mulligan, NAHSM by Julie Cikan, Nursing by Joanne Huguelet, and Social Science by Janet Ford. The Business Department is still seeking a senator. There are two at-large senators, Janet Mees and Amy Reinert.

Each member has specific own duties. While the President sets the agenda for meetings, the Vice-President works with the budget and the Secretary takes minutes. Senators attend department meetings and belong to at least two other committees.

The Student Government meets every Tuesday afternoon at 5:15 p.m. in the Barefoot Room in Marian Centre. The meetings usually last about forty-five minutes and are open to everyone.



*Student Senate at Work*

*By B. Alexander*

## Mabee Challenges Avila

By Chris Pickett

Private institutions face the same problem year after year. The problem is funding, and Avila, like many other institutions throughout the country, can rely on the prestigious Mabee Foundation for some of the funding it receives. The Mabee Foundation, organized in 1948, is recognized for its support of colleges, and religious and health organizations. The most recognized organizations in this area aided by Mabee are Avila, William Jewell College, and the Ozanam Home for Boys in Martin City, Missouri.

Avila recently received notification from the Mabee Foundation of a challenge grant of \$500,000. The College must raise matching funds of \$1.1 million by July 9, 1992. The money will be generated from local foundations, corporations, alumni, and other friends of the College. All of the funds will be used to carry out planned construction and renovation projects that will update facilities and, according to Dr. Larry Kramer, President of Avila, will "...better serve our students, faculty and staff."

The Maybee Foundation, located in Tulsa, Oklahoma, has aided Avila in the past with a \$500,000 grant, which went toward the construction of the Fieldhouse. The foundation has issued grants also to the Hooley-Bundschu Library and, in 1985, to Avila's endowment fund.

## Avila Gets Hi-Tech Toaster

By Denise Vargo

Royals Stadium recently added a big screen to the stadium that is operated by one computer panel called a "Video Toaster". Now thanks to the LEAD Grant, Avila College has added its very own "Video Toaster" to the production studio. The \$4,000 computer is actually nine products in one, which includes a Four Input Production Switcher, a Lightwave 3-D Modeling, Rendering and Animation System, a Toaster Character Generator, a Toaster Paint Program (16.8 million colors), a Dual Frame Buffer, a Chroma FX Color Processor, a Framegrabber/Frame store, and an Overlay Genlock.

The system was added to Avila's production studio on September 6, and "...will bring Avila's production facility into the twentieth century...", according to Julie Boardman, Communication Coordinator. Boardman spent approximately seven months choosing the Amiga Video Toaster, which is adaptable to the Macintosh computers in the computer lab. This will make it possible to download graphics from the "Mac" to the "Video Toaster" and create videos, among other options.

The toaster will be used in all T.V. classes. The vast capabilities and hi-tech performance of the Amiga will enable anyone to create 3-D animation, just like MTV, and bring network quality to all videos. This is a great addition to our production facility; after all, video is the new literacy.

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# Letter To the Editor

This campus is honored to have returning heroes from American military campaigns, but do we realize the inner turmoil they deal with daily? I know I don't. Desert Storm is officially over, but the mental after-effects of war are far from forgotten. Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), a condition characterized by delayed feelings of depression, mistrust, isolation, and rage are the real spoils of war. Veterans Administration counselors and therapists claim that if not treated the symptoms and episodes only get worse. The farther one gets from the front lines the harder it becomes to diagnose and treat.

I have the pleasure of loving a Desert Storm hero. He is normally an assertive, calm, easily likable young Marine War-rant Officer. He spent six action packed months "in the sand". He has great pride for his actions, his troops, and his country.

His inner pain was suppressed so deeply it was not evident even to me. Recently, I was rudely awakened to the immedi-ate mental transformation of PTSD. After hearing and feeling the jolting concussions of ordnance at a local airshow, this inspiring gentle man became paranoid, vague and unsociable. The situation happened so quickly and innocently that without knowing it the Marine I knew and loved was gone.

A small college campus in middle America is not gener-ally considered the arena for post-war discussion. However, the manifesting sights of post-traumatic stress disorder are everywhere. The backfiring of a car, the shrill sound of a siren, and a quick flash of lights can trigger intense feelings of fear, anger, shame, and depression. It is only proper that we humor our returning heroes, lest we forget that for some of them the war will never be forgotten.

Kelly Williams

## What's Happening at Avila

- Oct. 14 ..... Alcohol Awarness Week
- Oct. 14 ..... Avila Day - No Classes
- Oct. 15 ..... SUB Noon Jazz
- Oct. 16 ..... Intramural Coed Volleyball
- Oct. 17 ..... Stephen Winn - KC. Star Newspaper  
11 A. M., Bor. 402
- Oct. 18 ..... Music Recital Noon Goppert Theatre
- Oct. 20 ..... Symphony Orchestra featuring cellist Alan Smith
- Oct. 21 ..... Brenda Washington - KMBC TV 9  
2 P. M., Bor. 401

### The Student Resource Centre announces Fall activities: By Jeanne Olofson

- The Value of Practical Work Experience -  
October 17 - 1 P. M.  
Borserine 401
- Resume Writing and Cover Lettters -  
October 17  
5:30 P.M.  
Lower Blasco Workshop Room
- Employer Fair -  
October 23 - 10 A. M. - 4 P. M.  
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## Fatherly Advice

### Have You Got Jesus' Number ?

God has become alive in Jesus Christ. There is no way of seeking and finding God but through understanding and following Jesus. The more we know about a person the greater will be our love and support. We can relate to Jesus because he has become like one of us, experiencing every human dimension. Jesus laughed, he cried, he felt sorry for the sick, the lame, the blind. He talked to the rich, the famous, the important, the poor, the outcast, the minorities, the sinners, he sat and ate with politicians. He confronted leaders and told them what he thought, whether they liked it or not. He told it just like it is. He pulled no punches. Jesus felt pain and suffering, felt hunger and even enjoyed a good meal and a good party.

One time he was invited to a wedding party which in his day would last about a week. Jesus took the liberty of inviting his twelve good friends, his disciples. It was a good time for a "free lunch" and those guys ate and drank like there was no tomorrow - they ran out of wine - What's a party without drinks. So Jesus' mother was there and she was embarassed to no end, and went up to Jesus and told him, your friends ate and drank everything, you made this mess now get us out .

I can just see Jesus, so patient and compassionate. He has a waiter bring six water jars, about three hundred gallons, and he does something wonderful. Jesus looks at the water, and the water blushed God - it was the greatest wine they ever had.

You never know what Jesus is going to do next. He's so full of surprises. We meet God in the happenings of our life, the people who "bump" into us, the people who say nice things and do nice things that make us think of God. What can I say and do that will make people at Avila think of God and Jesus. Have you got Jesus' number?

Fr. Mario

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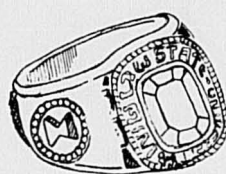
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## Rings For Your Fingers

By Patty Berg



On October 16 you will be able to order your very own Avila College class ring. A class ring is something to cherish and have forever. Keep those wonderful memories of your college years spent at Avila right at your fingertips with a brand new class ring that you can pick out individually.

During the hours of 3 and 6 p.m. in the Bookstore you will be able to meet with the Balfour representative. The Avila bookstore is located in the lower level of Marian Centre. You must order your class ring in person at the Bookstore, verbal orders will NOT be accepted.

When you order your class ring on October 16, you will receive a \$10.00 discount to be applied to the purchase of your new class ring. This discount can only be applied to those rings purchased on October 16 between 3 and 6 p.m. A \$25.00 deposit is required for all rings. If you are unable to order your class ring on October 16, please see Sister Elaine for other times.

You can choose from a variety of styles and stones and metals to make picking out your class ring a time to remember. Be at the bookstore on October 16 between 3 and 6 p.m. and put your memories of college into something you will have forever, a class ring.

## Fr. Mario Organizes Newman Club

By Denise Vargo

Father Mario Moscaritolo became Avila's full-time campus minister in August and is already organizing the Newman Club Campus Ministry. The club is open to all students. Its primary focus is to foster spiritual growth and social awareness.

Students will be given the opportunity to develop friendships, learn to work together, participate in social activities and contribute their services in community ministry, as well as many other positive influences, according to Father Mario.

The first meeting was held September 5, during which officers were elected. Meetings will be held once a month to plan programs for the month.

Plan to attend the next meeting on October 21 at 9 p.m. in Carondelet, third floor.

## Medical Technologists in Demand

By Kori Bailey

By the year 2000 an additional 60,000 medical technologists will be needed to exercise the number of new procedures developed in the laboratory. Medical technologists perform tests on body fluids, tissue, and blood to diagnosis and aid in patient treatment.

Medical technologists have a number of choices in the job market. They can choose independent laboratories or hospitals. The students here at Avila are guaranteed a job at St. Joseph Health Center when they receive their baccalaureate degree.

## Where's The Lost and Found?

By Patty Berg

Have you ever wondered where to go if you lose something at Avila College? Where do you go if you find something?

The official lost and found of Avila is located in the Bookstore on the lower level of Marian Centre. "If you find something, turn it in as soon as possible," says Sr. Elaine Besand, Assistant Bookstore Manager. "People do call looking for items they have lost, but if they are never turned in there is nothing they can do," says Jo Pavich, Bookstore Manager.

Time seems to be the crucial element here, so please turn in whatever you find to the Bookstore. "If you need to get supplies from the Bookstore and are unable to come when the Bookstore is open, just call and we will make arrangements to be here," states Sr. Elaine. The Bookstore hours are: Monday and Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

## Box Office On Fire

by Dale Franklin

Ron Howard set the box office ablaze last summer with his film Backdraft. This movie encompassed everything movie goers are looking for. Backdraft was a mystery, a drama, a love story; and it had enough action to keep the audience jumping. Backdraft's cast was packed with stars including Kurt Russell, William Baldwin (Flatliners), Scott Glenn, Jennifer Jason Leigh (Fast Times at Ridgemont High), Rebecca DeMornay (Risky Business), and Donald Sutherland and Robert De Niro, two veterans of the screen. With that kind of cast it was hard to go wrong.

Backdraft was filmed on location in Chicago and glorified the heroic lives of the firefighters of the legendary Station 17. Kurt Russell plays Bull McCathry, a head strong, fire fighting lieutenant, whose crazy chances he takes has ruined his home life. William Baldwin plays Bull's younger brother. His life has been one gamble after another, until he decides to go through the academy to become a fireman like his brother.

De Niro plays the fire investigator who starts to make a connection between the recent fire deaths and the Mayor-to-be Alderman. Sutherland does an incredible job as an institutionalized pyromaniac who still is in love with The Beast. Sutherland helps crack the case open for Baldwin and De Niro.

The cinematography in this movie was enough to give you a small heart attack. The actors seemed to be right in the flames. It was the most realistic picture I've seen in a long time. Arnie Glosier, the fire chief at the station in O'Fallon, Missouri, was quoted, "Actually it was all realistic, except for the time Kurt Russell ran into the burning building with his coat open. One thing I wish they could have shown better was the heat put off by the fire."

This movie was one of the best ones made this summer. Right now Backdraft is showing at Watts Mill Cinema for only \$1.50. It's well worth it. If you like more privacy, Backdraft will be released sometime around Christmas on video tape.

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## Women's Volleyball Picks-Up

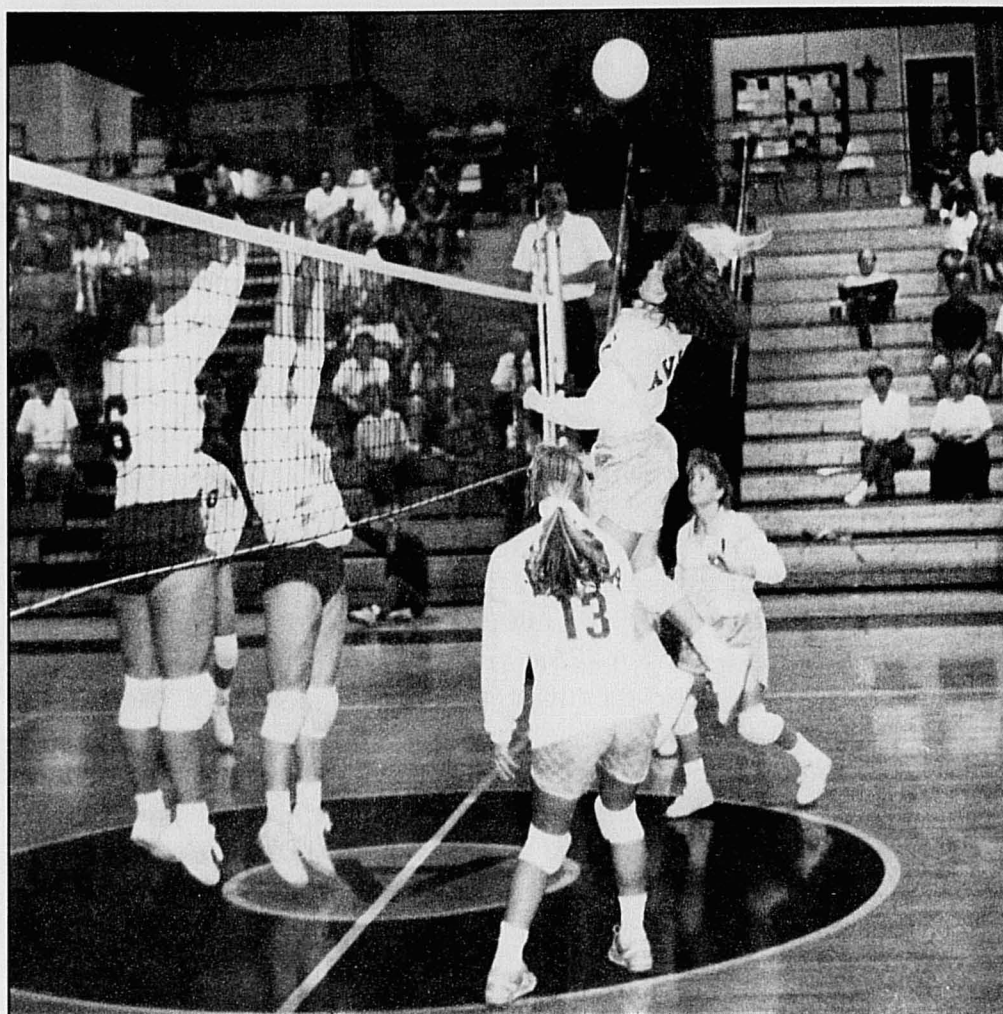
By Jeff Bass

For the Women's volleyball team, a lack of experience is the main reason for a 6 and 113 start (as of September 25). Because they have such a young team there usually are two freshmen and two sophmores on the court at the same time. There are only two seniors and one junior on the squad.

So far the two seniors stand out the most. They are Virginia Lewis, setter and outside hitter, and Therese Piper, outside hitter.

Head Coach Jodi Smith, in her first coaching job said that the team play is starting to pick-up, and she looks for brighter things the rest of the season. She says that for future success the team needs to build on the talent they have, and they need to recruit some height, because they have a very short team.

Smith said that the team has three key tournaments coming up in October. They travel to the Rockhurst tournament October 4- 5, then the Westminister tournament on October 11-12, and then to the Graceland tournament on October 25- 26.



Women's Volleyball Team

By B. Alexander

## Sports Schedule

### Soccer

|         |             |        |
|---------|-------------|--------|
| Oct 16  | Park        | 3 p.m. |
| Oct. 19 | Cent. Meth. | 2 p.m. |
| Oct 23  | UMKC        | 3 p.m. |
| Oct 26  | S. Nazarene | 2 p.m. |

### Volleyball

|        |           |        |
|--------|-----------|--------|
| Oct 22 | Wm. Jewel | 6 p.m. |
| Oct 29 | Westminst | 6 p.m. |

## Soccer Team Has Experience

By Jered Steen

The Avila College Eagles soccer players are excited about the new season. This season figures to be an interesting one, with the team bringing back a lot of experience and talent from the past two years. The lone two seniors on the team are Craig Wania and Mike Barr. Juniors include Jeff Doherty, Mike Maupin, Jeff Lamberti, Dean Pare, and Charlie Keiper. The second-year players are Dale Franklin, Nick Foppe, Josh Kovich, and Bryan Smith. The eight freshmen who complete the team are Kevin Brown, Phil Berger, Chad Pare, Brian Smith, Andy Thurman, John Hagadorn, Phil Palegee, and Rusty Law.

Junior Mike Maupin, who plays center forward for the team, said, "We have a pretty tough schedule this year, but I think that we will do pretty good. Once we come together as a team, we will be hard to beat."

## Ready For The Big Time

By Jeff Bass

For the Kansas City Chiefs, last year's playoff loss to the Miami Dolphins was a disappointing end to a great season. But that loss was a stepping stone for this season and what is expected to be run for the Super Bowl.

Head coach Marty Schottenheimer and General Manager Carl Peterson have done an excellent job of assembling this team in such a short 3-year span. Many experts question how the Chiefs can make it to the Super Bowl with a retread quarterback like Steve Deberg. The main reason is that Schottenheimer has constructed the Chiefs' offense around running backs Christian Okoye and Barry Word, with an occasional Deberg bomb. If Deberg can come close to his 1990 stats, he will prove that the Chiefs don't need an elite QB. It helps that the Chiefs have a dominating defense led by linebacker Derrick Thomas, who led the NFL in sacks last season with 20, and the best cornerbacks in the league, Albert Lewis and Kevin Ross.

All the Chiefs need to do now is take their game up another level, because they are headed definitely in the right direction. If you believe the theory that a team must gain playoff experience before it can gain playoff success, then the Chiefs could be ready for the big time and a trip to Super Bowl XXVI.

## Intramurals Are For Everyone

By Kevin Lowder

Activities that are based outside of the classroom is what Avila intramurals are all about. They are for students on or off-campus and allow students, as well as faculty, to interact and enjoy different activities together. There are competitive sports, as well as non-competitive games and tournaments. The Fall Semester has many interesting events lined up that should be fun for all.

In October, there are two events scheduled: coed volleyball, which starts on the 2nd and runs every Wednesday night through November 6, and an archery tournament on the 6th. Tournament games are on November 10-11, and a one-on-one basketball tournament will be on the 17th. December 1 brings ice skating, and there is a ski trip to Colorado for January 4-8 that promises to be fun and exciting.

Anyone interested in any events or wanting more information should contact Jeff Fox (Student life or 943-5200), Daphne Luginski (943-5321), or Jennifer James (942-2446).